

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1409

By Rose

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commend Joanne Cullom Moore for her service on the Tennessee Historical Commission.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly recognize those individuals whose steadfast stewardship of Tennessee's rich history ensures that it will live on and edify those generations to come; and

WHEREAS, Joanne Cullom Moore is one such individual, who has dedicated thirty-one years to serving as a member of the Tennessee Historical Commission; she is taking her leave from this long-held post at the expiration of her appointed term; and

WHEREAS, Joanne Moore was first appointed to the Tennessee Historical Commission as a member representing the West Tennessee grand division in 1987, and in her more than three decades in this position, she has served under five different governors and played an integral role in the Historical Markers Program and the Tennessee Wars Commission; and

WHEREAS, born on January 3, 1935, near Wilson, Arkansas, Ms. Moore showed an early interest in regional history when her grandfather introduced her to the history of her forebear Reverend Jeremiah Walker Cullom, a Methodist circuit rider who served as chaplain in the 24th Tennessee Regiment during the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, she thereafter joined the South Mississippi County Chapter 372 of the Children of the Confederacy in Bassett, Arkansas, and over the years, through her extensive genealogical and historical research, she has documented fifty-seven ancestors who served in the Revolutionary War and twenty-six who served in the Confederate Army during the Civil War; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the High School Department of Gulf Park College for Girls and Vanderbilt University, Joanne Moore is a noted scholar who has published two books, *Some History of the Wilson Methodist Church* and *Some History of the Genealogy of the Jouett Family*, as well as twenty articles, family sketches for Rutherford, Williamson, Fayette, Montgomery, and Cheatham counties, and eight entries in *Early Settlers of Shelby County, Tennessee*; and

WHEREAS, Joanne Moore's articles include "The Devil's Elbow," published in the *West Tennessee Historical Society Papers*, "Wartime in Memphis 1862-1865" and "The Immortal 600," featured in *The Confederate Veterans Magazine*, and two articles on Pee Ridge and General Paul Jones Semmes, respectively, for the *United Daughters of the Confederacy Magazine*; and

WHEREAS, she has held membership with Daughters of the Cincinnati, Daughters of the American Revolution in Memphis, the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia, which she served as national chaplain, and the West Tennessee Historical Society, of which she was the first-ever woman elected president; and

WHEREAS, while serving on the Arkansas Old State House Committee as United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC) chairman, she was instrumental in saving the building from destruction and assisted with the contract negotiation for UDC space in the building; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Joanne Moore was honored with the Martha Washington Medal from the Isaac Shelby Chapter of the Tennessee Society Sons of the American Revolution and the Tennessee Historical Preservation Award from N.B. Forrest Camp 215, Sons of Confederate Veterans, and she was named Arkansas Honorary Division President by the UDC; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee is most fortunate to have such a passionate champion of State history as Ms. Moore, and it is fitting that we pause to recognize her contributions; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we commend Joanne Cullom Moore for her thirty-one years of devoted service as a member of the Tennessee Historical Commission, extending to her our best wishes for much continued success in all her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.